II. Statement under Article 19(1):

In the new Claim 1 a few distinctions have been made in order to assist the clearer interpretation of the claimed subject matter as follows:

- a) The expansion chamber (7) is directly connected to the homogenizing ring channel (13);
- b) The homogenizing ring channel (13) is directly connected to the expansion chamber (7);

c) The material flow has only a single main direction change between the radial inlet and the drawing aperture, that is, in the expansion chamber (7) the radial material flow is forced to move in cross direction.

In the new Claim 3 we also made the distinctions a) and b) as mentioned above.

The above amendments have sufficient support in the original disclosure (no new matter has been introduced):

- Support for the "direct connections": Fig. 1 to 3; and page 8, lines 10 20; page 9, last paragraph;
- "Single main direction change": Figures, and page 11, lines 1-5; page 16, lines 11-24.

Applicant respectfully submits that each of the claims now pending in the application contains patently distinct subject matter over all of the references of record.